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RESPONSE TO DECEMBER 12, 2003 OFFICE ACTION

Commissioner for Patents
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Dear Sir:

In response to the Office Action dated December 12, 2003, please amend the above-identified patent application as follows:

Amendments to the Claims are reflected in the listing of claims which begins on page 2 of this paper.

Remarks/Arguments begin on page 7 of this paper.

An Appendix containing Data Sheets for Affinity 1880 polymer is attached following page 10 of this paper.